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Application No.: TBA (Div of 08/098,327) ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: PEPTIDE SEQUENCES SPECIFIC )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the referenced application, please amend the above-cited application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly delete claims 1-26. Please add the following new claims:

- A) 27. A DNA sequence encoding a polypeptide comprising at least one liver stage-specific T cell epitope of *P. falciparum* Liver Stage Antigen (LSA).